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SUBJECT: US SCIENTIFIC TEAM TO PENRHYN ISLAND

REF: (A) WELLINGTON 1958, (B) WELLINGTON 1110, (C) 76 STATE
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1. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED COPY OF TELEGRAM MENTIONED PARA. ONE
REFTEL A. TELEGRAM IS DATED MAY 20 AND IS FROM GNZ EMBASSY
WASHINGTON TO COOK ISLANDS (RAROTONGA). IT ADVISES THAT US
EMBASSY WELLINGTON HAS SENT NOTE (SEE REFTTEL C) AND TWO
FOLLOW-UP MSGS. TO GOVERNMENT OF COOK ISLANDS REQUESTING
APPROVAL FOR VISIT OF US SCIENTIFIC TEAM TO PENRHYN ISLAND IN
EARLY 1979. TELEGRAM ADDITIONALLY SAYS COOK ISLANDS GOVERNMENT
HAS NOT RESPONDED AND THAT STATE DEPARTMENT HAS ASKED GNZ'S
ASSISTANCE IN OBTAINING AGREEMENT FROM COOK ISLANDS AUTHORITIES.

2. REFTTEL B OF MARCH 25 ADVISED THE DEPARTMENT THAT DIPLOMATIC
APPROACH TO COOK ISLANDS HAD NOT RPT. NOT BEEN MADE. IT
ADDITIONALLY POINTED OUT THAT PENRHYN ISLAND IS ONE OF NORTHERN
COOKS CLAIMED BY UNITED STATES AND ASKED FOR DEPARTMENT'S APPROVAL
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TO PROCEED WITH NOTE IN VIEW OF DISPUTED STATUS AND ITS POSSIBLE
IMPLICATIONS ON FUTURE US CLAIMS AND FISHERIES CONSERVATIONS ZONE
(REFTEL D). EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED NO RESPONSE TO MSG. AND NOTE
HAS STILL NOT RPT. NOT BEEN SENT TO COOKS.

3. REFTTEL A OF MAY 25 AGAIN CALLED TO DEPARTMENT'S ATTENTION
POSSIBLE LEGAL IMPLICATIONS MENTIONED IN FOREGOING PARAGRAPH AND

ASKED FOR REPLY. WHILE EMBASSY DOES NOT WANT TO "MAKE MOUNTAIN
OUT OF MOLEHILL," IT IS AWARE THAT GROWTH OF 200-MILE ECONOMIC
AND FISHERIES ZONES MAKES PREVIOUSLY UNIMPORTANT PACIFIC ISLAND
TERRITORIAL CLAIMS INCREASINGLY SIGNIFICANT. EMBASSY REPEATS
ITS WILLINGNESS TO MOVE FORWARD WITH NOTE TO COOKS WITHOUT REGARD
TO TERRITORIAL CLAIMS ISSUE BUT FEELS IT REASONABLE TO HAVE

DEPARTMENT'S SPECIFIC APPROVAL FOR THAT COURSE OF ACTION.

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